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Sir:

On May 13, 2005, we filed an Information Disclosure Statement citing reference JP 54-140737. Submitted herewith is a partial English translation of the same for the Examiner's consideration.

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Claim : (whole)

A hair tonic composition containing Spirulina or (and) an extract thereof.

Detailed explanation of the invention : (abstract)

Spirulina belongs to a deep blue seaweed and has a spiral form. Spirulina contains a lot of protein.

In this invention a dried Spirulina or a powder of a dried Spirulina is used. An extract thereof is also used, which is obtained by dipping a dried Spirulina or a powdered Spirulina into oil or alcohol with letting alone or heating and then filtering them if necessary.

A hair tonic composition of this invention is used as a form of ointment or lotion with a suitable base agent, for example, a pomade, a hair-cream, a hair liquid, a shampoo and a treatment.

The Spirulina content is desirably about 0.4 – 10 wt% in the hair tonic composition. According to this invention the effects such as growing a hair, regenerating a hair or refreshing a white (aged) hair are obtainable by a cooperated action of chlorophyll, a lot of protein, several vitamins, minerals or etc. in Spirulina.